IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

MAIL STOP AF

Akira KAMIYA

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APPARATUS AND METHOD OF MULTIPLE DECODING

Examiner Richard J. Lee

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 5, 2004, having a three (3) month shortened-statutory period for response set to expire November 5, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: